The industrial development Bank of India (IDBI) and other financial institutions are working to find a solution to Dabhol Power Company's problems. The primary responsibility for finding an amicable solution to the various issues presently surrounding the projects lies with the two parties to the Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) viz., Maharashtra State Electricity Board (MSEB) and DPC as also with the Government of Maharashtra (GOM) , who have guaranteed the payment obligations of MSEB to the DPC under the PPA. However, the Government of India (GOI), who have issued a counter guarantee covering Phase-I, has agreed to facilitate early resolution of the issues and revival/restructuring of the project. The IFLs have initiated the selection process for identifying new sponsors to purchase the equity of the present off-shore sponsors of the project who have desired to exit from the project.

Payments released by the REC

*82 SHRI RAJU PARMAR:

SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question 1901 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 8th August, 2001 and state:

(a) the details of payments released by the Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) to the Electricity Department, Government of Manipur as on 31st January, 2002;

(d) the details of energy meters already installed by the Electricity Department as on 31st January, 2002;

(c) whether the payment released by the REC have not been disbursed to the Vendors/manufacturers/ SSI units; and

(d) if so,the reason for delay and whether Government propose to hold an enquiry in the matter and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SURESH PRABHU): (a) and (b) As on 31.1.2002, against the sanctioned loan assistance of Rs. 5.16 crores, Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) had released Rs. 3.81 crores on the basis of procurement of 73,000 energy meters and another Rs. 0.59 crores on installation of 33,125 meters by the Electricity Department, Government of Manipur. State Electricity Department, Manipur has reported installation of a total of 40,372 energy meters upto the end of December, 2001.

(c) and (d) Funds are released by REC on the basis of Procurement of meters and their installation by the borrowers. Rural Electrification Corporation

does not go into the issue of payment by the Electricity Department of the Government of Manipur to its suppliers.

It has been informed by Electricity Department, Government of Manipur that they have disbursed the following payments to the suppliers of energy meters:—

(i)	M/s. Capital Power System Ltd.	Rs. 183.00 Lakhs
(ii)	M/s. Elymer Electrics	Rs. 145.00 Lakhs
	TOTAL:	Rs. 328.00 Lakhs

The delay in release of payment is due to the financial crunch being faced by the State Government.

Terrorist Attack OR American Centre at Kolkata

*83. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: SHRI BRAMMAKUMAR BHATT:

Wifl the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the extremists attacked the American Centre at Kolkata o[22nd January, 2002, where number of policemen were killed and injured;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the incident has exposed that the arms in possession of the policemen on duty were useless and unfit to work;

(d) if so, whether delegation from the Union Government visited the place; and

(e) if so, what is the outcome of the enquiry conducted so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENIVIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b)Two motor cycle borne assailants indiscriminately fired on police personnel deployed for security duty at the American Centre, Kolkata on 22nd January, 2002. Four police personnel were killed on the spot and sixteen injured, one of whom later succumbed to injuries. One Aftab Ansari, Farhan Mallick, a mafia donstationed in Dubai, claimed responsibility for the incident. Investigations revealed that Lashkare-e-Taiba (LeT) Harkat-ul-jehad-e-Islami(HuJI) were responsible for the attack. Later, the two suspected assailants Mohd. Idris and Salim were